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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

A bushing for a hydraulic valve, the bushing (currently amended) comprising:

a bushing wall defining an interior of the bushing;

the bushing wall having openings allowing passage of a hydraulic medium to and from the interior:

wherein the openings have an opening wall that at least across a portion of a circumference of the opening wall is formed as a molded bevel;

wherein several of the openings are arranged adjacent one another in a circumferential direction of the bushing:

wherein the openings arranged adjacent one another in the circumferential direction, viewed in a cross-section of the bushing, have a first wall portion extending substantially radially and a second wall portion opposite the first wall portion, wherein the second wall portion is part of the molded bevel;

wherein two of the openings neighboring one another in the circumferential direction are arranged such that the molded bevels are neighboring one another;

wherein the molded bevels facing one another are positioned at an acute angle to a radial plane of the bushing wall, which radial plane is positioned centrally between the molded bevels neighboring one another;

wherein the acute angle opens radially inwardly toward the interior.

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- (canceled) 3.
- The bushing according to claim 1, wherein the bushing wall has (original) 4. outer annular channels and wherein the openings open into the outer annular channels, respectively.
- The bushing according to claim 4, wherein the interior of the 5. (original) bushing wall has an inner wall provided with inner annular channels.
- The bushing according to claim 5, wherein the inner annular (original) 6. channels and the outer annular channels are connected with one another by the openings.
 - The bushing according to claim 6, wherein the outer annular (original) 7.

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channels and the inner annular channels are separated from one another by annular webs, respectively.

- 8. (original) The bushing according to claim 7, wherein the annular webs separating the inner annular channels have identical inner diameter.
 - 9. (original) The bushing according to claim 1 formed as a diecast part.
- 10. (original) The bushing according to claim 9 formed as a light metal diecast part.
- 11. (original) The bushing according to claim 1 formed as an injection molded part.
- 12. (original) The bushing according to claim 11, wherein the bushing is an injection molded plastic part.
- 13. (original) The bushing according to claim 1, wherein at least some of the openings are provided with at least one fine control opening.
- 14. (original) The bushing according to claim 14, wherein the at least one fine control opening is formed by a recess in the opening wall.
- 15. (original) The bushing according to claim 1, wherein the interior of the bushing wall has a constant inner diameter.